

# COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES

November 2, 2015

## AGENDA

### Current:

- Approval of October 5, 2015 minutes
- Telephone and Office Report for October
- Budget/Monthly Accounting Reports/Request for Funds

### Town Buildings

Transition Plan - Update

\*\*Town Hall - Update on suggested changes to Architectural Plans  
Bargmann Hendrie + Archetype, Inc.  
Town Hall Exterior Repair/Preservation and Accessibility  
Building Condition Assessment and Report

Old Thayer Library - Update

Daugherty Gym - Update

BEMA - Need to look at what other towns/cities are doing to combine lists of individuals with special needs and/or medical needs; reach out to the Public Safety Committee

The newly named Braintree Athletic Complex; received a copy of small scale architectural plans from Russ on 9/29/15. Reached out to Russ via email last week for developers contact information. Russ out on vacation.

### Towns Parks & Recreation

Highlands Playground – Per email from Nelson Chin on 10/23, the new swing harnesses have been installed.

Conservation Land Access/Eaton Pond

### Streets and Roads

SeeClickFix App - app for a way in which residents can report problems around town, i.e. pot holes, curb cut issues and etc. or create spreadsheet for keeping track of problem areas around town

Snow Removal - On going

The Home Aid Project - Snow Removal for residents

**Miscellaneous**

Handicap Parking Program - Update

Fraudulent use of HP placard and/or plate - Update

Disability Handicap Indicator Program - Update

Silent 911 - Update

Braintree Housing Authority Walk Through - Update

Advertising of HP Funds - Looking for other avenues of advertising; article published in the Forum, Patch, SEPAC website, C.O.D. website

Wheelchair Accessible Taxi - Update

Creation of Facebook Page - Status

Social Media campaign to improve accessibility in our community – Met with the Public Safety Committee

ADA Coordinator position – Job Posted 10/9/15

300 Granite Street (Old Fidelity Bldg) by the Mall Complaint – Automatic Doors not operating  
Status – Spoke with Lisa at Grossman Mgmt. Co. on 10/28, door has been repaired and working.

South Shore Plaza – Status of the sidewalk near CVS - structure blocking sidewalk and making access to the mall entrance difficult and impassable for "All". Complaint filed with Simon Management; per the construction company the temporary structure will be moved.

**Elections**

Election Ballot Call Button – Update

**New**

ADA Accommodation Request - Skyline Drive Apartments – request for an accommodation for a resident in need of an external ramp. Resident referred to MOD to assist in the procedure for filing for the accommodation.

Logan Park – 193 Grove Street

Elevator out of order – has been for a few weeks, residents are mostly senior citizens, some with physical disabilities or some that are not able to walk up and down the stairs, so they require an elevator. Per Russ Forsberg 10/21; management is working on repairing the elevator, it may take a few weeks once the parts are delivered. There was substantial damage which requires the elevator and shaft to be replaced. In the interim there is a Fire Watch from 11PM to 7AM each night to assist in the event of a fire. A chair lift is being installed in the rear of the building going from the bottom to the top floors and the Logan Park's staff is available 24 hours a day to assist those who are in need of help.

Committee on Public Safety – October 21, 2015

Discussion to ask for the committee's support and ideas on the COD's establishment of the COD's Social Media Campaign. The committee suggested that Barbara T. reach out to Officer Peter Gillis with respect to Community Outreach.

Marshalls Department Store Complaint regarding shopping carts blocking walkway in front of the store, as well as shopping carts blocking HP spaces. Letter sent to the Manager of the store on 10/21/15 for the second time in 18 months.

Input requested by MassDOT/Community Capital Conversations. Input will help shape the FY 2017-2021 Capital Improvement Plan, meeting at town hall 10/26/15. These meetings will be on-going.